GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:432
ANSWERED ON:17.04.2001
BIO-TECH PARKS
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to establish some bio-tech parks in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the extent to which these parks are serving the objectives; and

(d) the time by which the proposal is likely to be cleared and the parks are likely to be established/made operational ?

Answer

MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY(PROF. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a), (b), (c) & (d) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 432 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.04.2001- REGAF BIOTECH PARKS.

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. A Biotechnology park for Women has been jointly set up by the State Government of Tamil Nadu and the Central Department of Biotechnology. States of Kerala, Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh have in principle agreed to establish Biotechnology Parks with the help of the Department of Biotechnology and a number of entrepreneurs and financial institutions. Proposals are under discussion. Other States like Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab and Karnataka are also considering the development of Biotechnology Parks.

(c) & (d) : The objectives of the Biotechnology Park are to provide a platform for interaction of academic and entrepreneural community. Some common facilities are required to be used by the entrepreneurs. Business plan giving the product range and economic viability including marketability is an essential component of the objective of the Park. When the Parks become fully operational with a number of of industrial modules, it is expected that they would be self-sustaining, leading to employment generation and bioindustrial development for economic progress. The scheme of establishment of Biotechnology Parks in different States as above is expected to become operational from the Tenth Five Year Plan.